Introduced by Committee on Governmental Organization (Coto (Chair), Bradford, Chesbro, Evans, Galgiani, Hall, Hill, Lieu, Mendoza, Portantino, and V. Manuel Perez)

March 17, 2010

An act to add Section 23433.5 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to alcoholic beverages.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2793, as introduced, Committee on Governmental Organization. Alcoholic beverage control: club licenses.

Existing law provides for the issuance of a club license for the sale of alcoholic beverages to specified organizations.

This bill would authorize the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue a club license to nonprofit lawn bowls clubs, that do not discriminate or restrict membership, as specified.

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Act provides that a violation of its provisions is a misdemeanor, unless otherwise specified.

This bill, by including provisions that would be subject to those existing criminal sanctions, would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 23433.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

- 23433.5. (a) For the purposes of this article, "club" also means any nonprofit lawn bowls club.
- (b) No license shall be issued to any nonprofit lawn bowls club qualifying as a club pursuant to this section if the nonprofit lawn bowls club in any manner restricts membership or the use of its facilities on the basis of age or any characteristic listed or defined in subdivision (b) or (e) of Section 51 of the Civil Code.
- SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution.